

**MAYOR AND COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES
TUESDAY, JULY 28, 2009, 7:00 P.M.**

Community Legacy Grant Application–Carrie Myers
Staff report attached. Application attached.
No public comment.

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CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE

ROLL CALL-Biser, Bowie, Stull, Tome, Smith-present; Johnson–absent

MAYOR’S REMARKS

Police Officer Swearing In–Bryan Brown, Lieutenant
Motion to concur appointment–Stull
2nd–Biser
Vote 5-0

Bryan Brown reads oath, Mayor swears in.

CITIZENS’ FORUM

CONSENT AGENDA
No comment.

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

Playground/Mulch Bid Award–Carrie Myers
Staff report attached.
Motion to award–Biser
2nd–Tome
Vote 5-0

Community Legacy Support Resolution No. 09-12–Carrie Myers
Staff report attached.
Motion to approve–Smith
2nd–Stull
Vote 5-0

Trail/Canal Town Program–Draft Resolution No. 09-13–Mayor Jones
Provides brief background of how the City got involved in this program.

Katherine Iacovelli–Gives background of program. Summary attached.
Members of EDC, City, Brunswick community completed a Needs Assessment of Brunswick.
EDC is behind this program completely. This resolution shows Brunswick’s support for C&O’s
application for grant funding on behalf of this program.

Mayor–There has been no cash outlay on this program thus far, nor has any donation been
requested. Stresses that this is important to promoting tourism in Brunswick. Mentions
discussions regarding whether Brunswick would participate as a Trail Town or a Canal Town.
Mayor’s opinion is that Brunswick should participate as a Canal Town. Williamsport has chosen
Canal Town, as well.

Tome–Has concerns about taxpayer money going toward economic development, etc., but is very
much behind this project. Is in favor of connecting towns along the canal. Not only will
businesses be highlighted, but history and heritage will be highlighted, as well. Disagrees with
Mayor, in that Brunswick should participate as a Trail Town.

Some discussion as to whether Brunswick should participate as a Trail or Canal Town.

Stull–Mayor of Williamsport has chosen to use Canal Town title, as part of Trail Town program.
Reached out to C&O Canal representatives, they preferred Brunswick be a Canal Town.

Smith–There are a lot of good things about this program, but doesn’t know where the money will
come from in the future. Is not willing to spend any money on this program.

Mayor–Signage, etc. will be paid for by grants. Hasn’t seen anything that will require a direct
outlay from the City.

Tome–Has had the same concerns in the past, but some of this goes along with the City’s overall
plan.

Bowie–Supports the program. Funds can be obtained through grants.

Stull–Trail Towns Program was originally modeled after Main Street program. Main Street does
support this program.

Biser–If we vote to go forward to this, who will manage the process?

Stull–EDC, City, Main Street.

Mayor–On a day to day basis, the EDC drives this, but City will be involved. Feels by calling Brunswick a Trail Town will be rewriting 150 years of history. Council can approve this resolution and say there would be no cash outlay on this program without having Finance Committee approval.

Stull–Motion to approve Resolution 09-13 with stipulation no money can be spent without approval of Finance Committee

2nd–Bowie

Motion 5-0

BoCC Proposal for Municipalities to Adopt County APFO–Mayor Jones

This issue comes up periodically. Board of County Commissioners is requesting that all Frederick County municipalities adopt their APFO. City provided our APFO to County back in March. Wants to get Council’s opinion on this issue going forward. Mayor has some concerns in doing this...the City has only changed the APFO once, whereas the County changes their numerous times.

Smith–When Smart Growth was enacted, building was promoted in municipalities, where utilities are available. Frederick County has grown outside of municipalities in many areas...such as Point of Rocks, Ballenger Creek, etc. Believes the County has grown outside of the Frederick County municipalities. Feels municipalities have done a better job of growth control than Commissioners and doesn’t support adopting County APFO.

Tome–Disagrees with Tom. Wouldn’t mind seeing County work with municipalities on this issue. Brunswick’s APFO didn’t help limit Brunswick Crossing, where schools are concerned. Doesn’t believe City’s APFO is as strong as County’s.

Biser–County’s APFO should be much stronger in the County, than in municipalities.

Mayor–An APFO should not be used to control growth...that is a misrepresentation of that document.

Biser–Doesn’t like to blend County/City. City residents already don’t benefit from some areas that are blended...i.e. taxes.

Tome–Wishes for better partnerships between City, County, and State.

Bowie–Agrees that we should use the City’s APFO.

Stull–City should have control of our destiny. We know Brunswick better. If County wants to control everything, why do we have an elected board?

Motion against entertaining County APFO–Smith

2nd–Biser

Vote 4-1, Tome against

Approved By:_____	Witnessed By:_____
Mayor	City Administrator
Date	Date